STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

CENTURYTEL AND UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION

DOCKET NO. NIA-00-28

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

(Issued January 17, 2001)

On December 7, 2000, CenturyTel and United States Cellular Corporation filed a first amendment to their negotiated interconnection agreement for review by the Utilities Board (Board) pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). The first amendment amends the signature page concerning the traffic factors. The Board issued an order on August 8, 2000, approving the initial interconnection agreement.

The Board issued an order identifying the proceeding concerning the first amendment as Docket No. NIA-00-28 and giving notice to any interested party of the opportunity to submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the amendment within 30 days of the filing, pursuant to 199 IAC 38.7(4). No comments were filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.§ 252(e)(2)(A), the Board may reject a negotiated interconnection agreement or amendment if it finds either (1) the agreement or the amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the

agreement, or (2) the implementation of the agreement or amendment is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Based upon the record made in this docket, the filed amendment does not discriminate against any other carrier and is not inconsistent with the public interest and will be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The amendment to the negotiated interconnection agreement filed on December 7, 2000, by CenturyTel and United States Cellular Corporation is approved to be effective upon issuance of this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

	/s/ Allan T. Thoms
ATTEST:	
/s/ Judi K. Cooper Acting Executive Secretary	/s/ Diane Munns
Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 17 th day of January, 2001.	